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Applicant: Isa Odidi et al : Paper No.:
Serial No. : 09/403,437 : Group Art Unit: 1615
Filed: October 21, 1999 : Examiner: A. Pulliam
For: **Controlled Release Formulations Using Intelligent Polymers**

BOX Fee Amendment
Honorable Commissioner for Patents
Washington, DC 20231

Dear Sir:

Transmitted herewith is an Amendment in the above identified application.

- ☒ Applicants claim Small Entity Status (37 C.F.R. 1.27)
☐ No additional fee is required.
☐ Also attached:

The fee has been calculated as shown below:

	NO. OF CLAIMS	HIGHEST PREVIOUS PAID FOR	EXTRA CLAIMS	SMALL ENTITY RATE	FEE
Total Claims	30	29	1	x \$9 =	\$9.00
Independent Claims	6	5	1	x \$40 =	\$40.00
TOTAL FEE DUE					\$49.00

- ☒ A check in the amount of \$49.00 is enclosed.
☐ Please charge my Deposit Account No. 04-1133 in the amount of \$0.
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Respectfully submitted,

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AMENDMENT

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Assistant Commissioner for Patents
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Dear Sir:

In response to the Office Action dated December 19, 2000 in the above-referenced application, please amend the application as follows:

In the Claims:

Please amend claims 1 and 28 to read as follows:

1. (Amended) A controlled release pharmaceutical composition comprising:
- (a) at least one pharmaceutically active substance having a water contact angle θ such that $\cos \theta$ is between +0.9848 and -0.9848;
 - (b) a first intelligent polymer component; and
 - (c) a second intelligent polymer component having opposite wettability characteristics to said first intelligent polymer component, said second intelligent polymer component comprising hydroxyethylcellulose or a mixture of hydroxyethylcellulose and

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